



Update on Virginia Department of Emergency Management

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Mission Statement

*Leading the effort to protect Virginia from
the impact of emergencies and disasters*



Budget

- What's New
 - Increase EMPG funding
 - VITA impact to agency with increase cost
 - Privatizing of ABC stores the impact on state General Funds
 - Federal Government funding levels due to federal deficit
- Continuing
 - Additional utilization of federal funds for selective positions
 - Delaying recruitments
 - Curtailing travel, especially conventions and out of state
 - Deferring all non-essential procurements
 - Reducing wage employee hours, but no layoffs
 - Federal programs largely unaffected
 - Holding line on state pass thru funds/activities



Local EMPG

- Local Emergency Mgmt Performance Grant
 - Focus Group
 - Recommend change in allocations
 - However, no change for current fiscal year
- Competitive Grants
 - EMPG Competitive Grant
 - \$500K
 - Focus: Strengthening local EOC capabilities
 - EMPG Sheltering Grant
 - \$900K
 - Focus: Strengthening local shelter capabilities



2011 Grants

- Expecting grant announcement in November
 - Will hold 7 regional meetings in January
- Funding level = to last year
 - No changes expected to UASI or RCPG funding
- More info at vaemergency.com



Public/Private Enterprise

- At the VEOC
 - Disaster Contracts
 - Debris removal, generators, buses, etc.
 - Share information
 - VA Assoc. of Business Continuity Planners
 - Dominion Virginia Power/Appalachian Power
 - Communication companies
 - CSX
 - Retail Merchants Association
 - Disaster Re-entry Certification System



Public/Private Enterprise

- At the Fusion Center
 - VA Critical Information Sharing Workgroup
 - Serve as subject matter experts
 - CIKR assessments and site surveys
 - Help with assessments from a threat perspective
 - FBI InfraGard meetings
 - Interact with private sector/CIKR representatives
 - Suspicious Activity Reporting endeavor
 - Private security firms



Public/Private Enterprise

- Recovery & Mitigation
 - MOUs with VA Society of Professional Engineers and VA Society of American Institute of Architects
 - IA/PA Damage Assessment Training
 - Revised ESF 14 SOP
 - Training at annual Conferences
 - U.S. Chamber of Commerce, Business Civic Leadership Center, Recovery Exercise



Public/Private Enterprise

■ Public Outreach

■ Tax Holiday

- Lowe's
- Kroger
- Sears
- Wal-Mart
- Virginia Retail Merchants Assoc.
- VA Chamber of Commerce
- Richmond Retail Merchants Assoc.
- Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond

■ Response and Recovery

- Assoc. of Business Continuity Managers in JIC

■ Business Toolkit



Public/Private Enterprise

■ CERT Teams

- Wachovia Banks
- Staples' call center
- TowneBank (in Suffolk)
- Virginia Museum
- Rubicon



Virginia Silver Jackets

- National effort by USACE
 - Provide technical expertise for flood reduction activities
- Established August 2010
- Partners
 - USACE
 - NWS
 - NWS River Forecast Centers
 - Natural Resources Conservation Services
 - US Geological Survey
 - FEMA Region III
 - Virginia DCR
 - VDEM



Radio Caches

- Several deployments this year:
 - Search and rescue operations
 - Shelter exercises
 - Communication system failures
- Two Training Events
 - Farmville/Longwood
 - Virginia Beach/Suffolk
- To request radio cache, call (804) 674-2400



STARS

- All divisions operational by Thanksgiving 2010
- Conducted coverage testing
 - I-64
 - North Anna and Surry Power Station
- Radio templates



COVEOP Updates

- Basic Plan
 - Appendix F – Emergency Support Function Matrix
- Hazard Specific Incident Annexes
 - Radiological Emergency Response
 - Hurricane
- Support Annexes
 - Recovery Program
 - COOP/COG
 - NOVA Evacuation
- ESFs Updated
 - 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16, and 17



Preparedness Updates

- LCAR Process Revision with LSS
 - Reviewed Favorably by 96.9% of Survey Responders.
- Emergency Management Accreditation Program (EMAP)
 - Reaccredited in 2010. Good through 2015.
 - Staff Available to Consult.



Preparedness Updates (Cont.)

■ Ongoing Activities

- Revision of LEOP Template:
 - Terrorism Annex
 - Special Needs Considerations
- COVEOP ESF's Updating – 3 and 4
- Level 1 FEMA COOP Certification (3 Staff Members)
 - Includes LPA Planner Available to Assist with COOP



Tech Haz Updates

- New Staff
 - Joe Taylor
 - Todd Cannon
- York County Training Center
- By the Numbers (January to August 2010):
 - 1,104 Hazmat notifications to VDEM
 - 75 incidents HMOs have responded to
 - 1,380 students trained



Recovery & Mitigation

- Grant Management tools
 - VirginiaPA.org
 - Mitigation.org
- Temporary Housing MOU
 - Correctional properties outside fence line
- VDHA Housing Locator Tool
- VCU Public Administration Masters Program
- Damage Assessment Webinars



Public Outreach

- Winter Weather Preparedness
 - Kick off – Mid-November
 - Dec. 5-11 Winter Preparedness Week
 - Movie theatre announcements
- Statewide Tornado Drill
 - Scheduled for March 15
 - Last year 1.2 million VA participated
 - Including 44 local governments
- VDEM Website redesign



Questions?